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Dear Parent/Carer

Newsletter 13

The days continue to whizz by and we are fast approaching the end of the academic year.

Value

The value for this term is 'Wisdom'. Christians believe that true wisdom comes from God. As a believer grows in faith so wisdom will increase. In the Bible wisdom is seen both as a gift from God and a characteristic of God. In his parables Jesus taught that placing trust in God and recognising what is of value in life brings fulfillment.

Parent/Carer Behaviour

Further to my last newsletter, I am once again, having to address the disappointing behaviour of a small minority of parents/carers. If you have an issue with any aspect of school, please bring the matter to school where we will deal with it. We will not tolerate parents shouting at or being unkind to one another. We are a church school where love, kindness, compassion and understanding are at the heart of everything we do. Please respect this and each other.

In addition to this, a number of parents/carers are spreading rumours with regard to the teachers and the classes they will be teaching next year. Please consider how this incorrect information and gossip has a detrimental effect upon the children, staff and other parents.

Sports Day

Arrangements for Sports Day, which is Friday 6th July, are as follows:

- Please send your child into school dressed in their *school* PE Kit (this will save precious time on the day!) All children may wear trainers to school on this day
- KS1 starts at 9am until 10am
- KS2 starts at 10.15am until 11.15am
- Picnic to be held at 11.30am until 12.30pm
- KS1 parents/carers may watch the KS2 sports day if they would like to stay for the picnic
- Children may go home after 12.30pm if their parent/carer has been to watch the event (please inform your child's teacher before leaving)
- Hot dinners will still be available, however please cancel these if your child will be joining the picnic

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- In the event of bad weather (including extreme temperatures) we will have to reschedule. A decision will be made at 8am and put on the website. We will send a text to parents/carers who have provided us with a contact number
- Photographs may be taken, but we request that you do not put any photographs of children other than your own on social media

Local Area Topic

Last week, each class undertook a study of the local area. All of the classes were seen out and about in the village.

This is what Class 4 had to say about their week...

'This week has been really fun because it's been Local Study week. It's really nice to have time off from our normal timetable and be doing other cool stuff! We have been out and about going around Blunsdon and studying the local area. We visited the Blunsdon House Hotel and they were really kind to show us around, even letting us decorate cakes and cookies. They got eaten (by us of course!) and they were yummy. We also carried out a traffic survey in Broadbush and Sams Lane. We wrote CVs to apply for a job at the hotel and we also had a visit from Hills Homes. They gave us a pen, pencil, sharpener and poster'. Jethro (Y4)

Trip to 'We the Curious' - Class 3 and 4

Class 3 and Class 4 have recently visited 'We the Curious' (formally known as @Bristol). The following report has been written by Tegan in Class 4.

'On Wednesday we went to We the Curious. There was lots to do and see. There was a space bit and in it was a place called the Planetarium. At the Planetarium we wore 3D glasses and we could see the planets and stars. It was so fascinating and interesting. There was also a bubbles section. Giant bubbles could be formed around our heads! It was a super, amazing day!

Junior Good Citizen - Class 6 - written by Naomi

On Monday 11th June, Class 6 went on a trip to Junior Good Citizen, which is held at the Punjabi Centre. The event has recently celebrated its 30th birthday and is a very important event that schools from Swindon attend to learn about safety. The people of Swindon ran workshops and give up their free time to teach us all about ways to keep safe. This year we learnt about: railway safety; electrical fire safety; envirocrime; road safety; personal safety and K9 awareness.

Other visits and thank you...

Class 5 has recently visited Highworth Warneford School to experience a Science and DT day. Reception Class, Class 1 and Class 2 visited the Cotswold Wildlife Park on a day where we were blessed with fine weather!

I would like to take the opportunity to thank all the parents/carers who have given up their time - in many cases taking days off work - to accompany the children on our trips. We can't do it without you!

Friends of St Leonard's

I am delighted to inform you that the incredible sum of £520 was returned to us in lots of empty Smartie tubes! Thank you to everyone who contributed.

The Summer Fete is due to be held on Saturday 7th July between 12 and 3pm with the choir singing at 1pm. As in my previous newsletter, we will be having a non-uniform day this Friday (29th June) -

please bring in items for the tombola/raffle in exchange for wearing non-uniform. The Friends will be grateful for contributions of smellies, chocolate, bottles and good quality games. We also need any bunting or gazebos that you may be able to lend us for the day. Raffle tickets will be coming home with your child soon - please return any unsold books. We can sell them to someone else!

There is a danger that this event may not be able to go ahead as planned as currently we do not have enough volunteers to run stalls. Any help that you are able to give us, even if only for a short time, will be much appreciated. Please contact georgiesturla@hotmail.co.uk. The date of the next Friends meeting is on Monday 2nd July at Blunsdon House Hotel at 7.30pm.

Request

Class 4 would like donations of scraps of materials, felt, fancy buttons or ribbons to be used in class. Please give these direct to Mr Berry if you are able to contribute.

Yours sincerely

Ms N Mills